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# EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT : IRIS™

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*The story so far...*

Iris managed to reach Mr. Wheeler but discovered that it was a set-up, as she had to fight off Ivanov's Executive Assistant, Jasmine, in order to survive. Yet, even after successfully managing to defeat Jasmine, Iris comes to the shocking realization that her friend and ally, Lily, was brutally murdered by Mazutsu - and she declared vengeance against him...

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TOKYO. SHINJUKU  
DISTRICT. 11:52 P.M.

IT'S BEEN QUITE A  
WHILE SINCE I SET  
FOOT WITHIN THIS  
PLACE.

I WAS A DIFFERENT WOMAN THEN,  
WITH VERY DIFFERENT GOALS.

IT WAS JUST ANOTHER MISSION--  
JUST ANOTHER MURDER-- FOR MY  
UNSCRUPULOUS EMPLOYER.

LILY... LIFE HAD PUT HER THROUGH  
THE WRINGER, BUT SHE GAVE ME  
AID WHEN SHE DIDN'T NEED TO.

THEN I SAW HER... FOR THE  
FIRST TIME SINCE WE'D LEFT  
THE ACADEMY.

AS A MATTER OF FACT,  
SHE MAY HAVE SAVED  
MY LIFE\*.

\*SEE EXECUTIVE  
ASSISTANT IRIS VOLUME  
ONE FOR DETAILS.

SINCE THEN, SHE WAS  
ALWAYS THERE FOR ME,  
BUT NOW...

YOU'LL  
BE MISSED,  
LILY. MORE  
THAN YOU'LL  
EVER KNOW.

WELL  
LOOK AT THIS.  
MISS GOODY-TWO-  
SHOES HERSELF IS  
DRINKING?

TIMES  
CHANGE. HAVE  
A SEAT...





...ROSE.

TO BE HONEST I NEVER THOUGHT I'D BE SITTING THIS CLOSE TO HER UNLESS ONE OR THE OTHER OF US WERE DEAD.

BUT CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE CHANGED.

EVEN ROSE WAS PUT OFF BY THE WAY HER EMPLOYER, MAZUTSU, KILLED LILY WITHOUT HONOR.

SHE CONFRONTED HIM ON IT, AND HE FIRED HER.

SHE KNEW THAT COMING FROM MAZUTSU, THAT'S A DEATH WARRANT...



...SO SHE OFFERED A TRUCE.

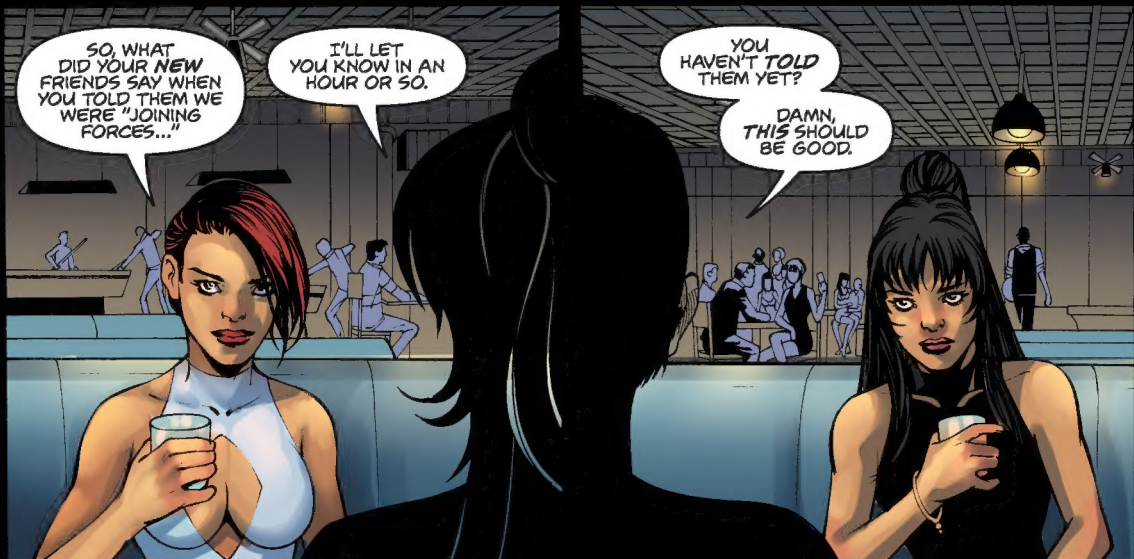
I'LL HAVE WHATEVER SHE'S DRINKING.

UNTIL WE FIND, AND APPREHEND, MAZUTSU. ALL BETS ARE OFF.



TO OLD FRIENDS...

KLINK



SO, WHAT DID YOUR NEW FRIENDS SAY WHEN YOU TOLD THEM WE WERE "JOINING FORCES..."

I'LL LET YOU KNOW IN AN HOUR OR SO.

YOU HAVEN'T TOLD THEM YET?

DAMN, THIS SHOULD BE GOOD.



FOUR SEASONS,  
TOKYO. 12:50 A.M.

TELL  
ME THIS IS  
A JOKE.

I KNOW  
YOU SAID YOU  
WERE GOING TO  
"DEAL WITH HER"  
YOURSELF, BUT THIS  
IS NOT WHAT WE  
THOUGHT YOU  
MEANT.

THERE IS NO WAY  
I WOULD EVER FIGHT  
ALONGSIDE THAT...  
CREATURE.



LOOK, I KNOW  
HOW YOU FEEL.  
BELIEVE ME, I KNOW  
WE'VE... HAD OUR  
DIFFERENCES.

DIFFERENCES? SHE'S  
TRIED TO KILL EVERY ONE  
OF US, ON MORE THAN ONE  
OCCASION. ESPECIALLY  
YOU.



WHAT MAKES  
YOU THINK WE  
CAN TRUST HER  
THIS TIME?



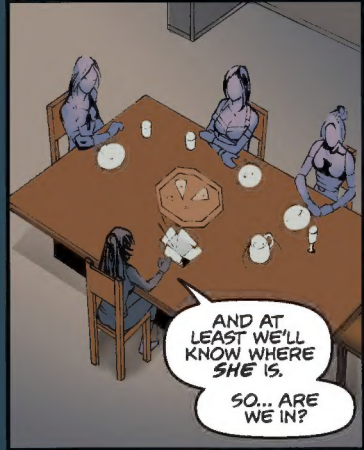
HONESTLY?  
NOTHING, BUT THE  
MAN DOES KNOW WE'RE  
COMING, SO OUR  
OPTIONS ARE LIMITED AT  
THIS POINT.

ROSE KNOWS  
WHERE HIS WEAK  
SPOTS ARE.



AND AT  
LEAST WE'LL  
KNOW WHERE  
SHE IS.

SO... ARE  
WE IN?





THE NEXT DAY.

MAZUTSU-SAN, BUREAU CHIEF BLACKWELL FROM THE C.I.A. IS ON THE SECURE LINE FOR YOU. HE SAYS IT'S AN URGENT MATTER.

TELL HIM THAT EVERYTHING IS GOING ACCORDING TO PLAN. WE WILL SPEAK WHEN OUR RELOCATION IS COMPLETE.

AS YOU WISH, SIR.

AH, MAZUTSU-SAN, EVERYTHING IS PROCEEDING QUITE WELL.

IS THE FACILITY IN MALAYSIA PREPARED FOR OUR ARRIVAL? THERE MUST BE NO DELAYS IN PRODUCTION.

THEY ARE QUITE READY, SIR. OUR SCHEDULE WILL REMAIN UNHINDERED.

EXCELLENT. IS THE HELICOPTER READY?

JUST A MOMENT, SIR.

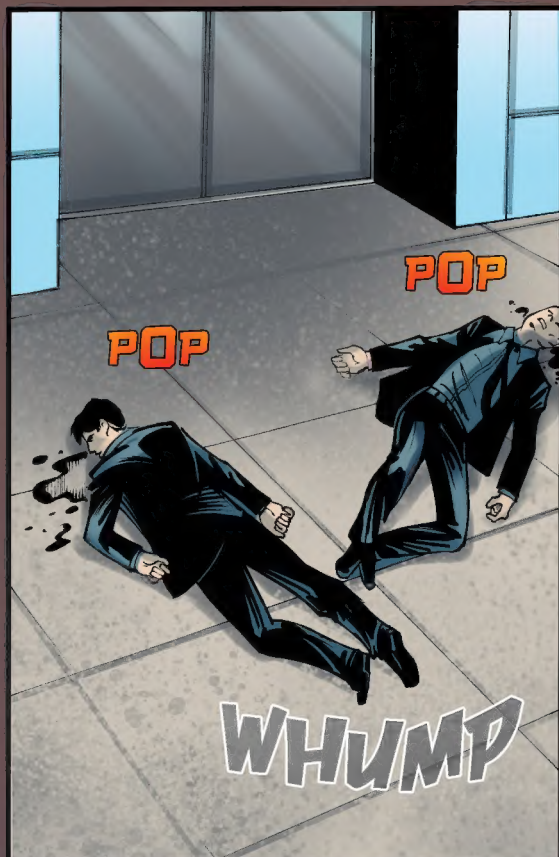




























"...TO HER ADVANTAGE."

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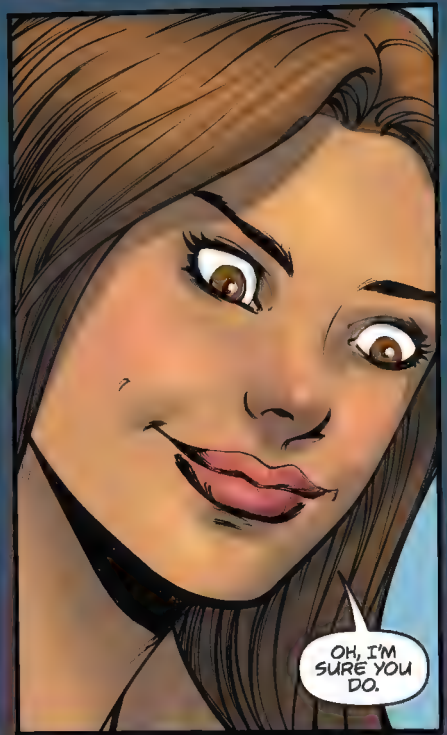
THWAKKKK



I THOUGHT YOU GUYS WERE SUPPOSED TO BE TOUGH...

HO--- HOLD IT RIGHT THERE!

I-- MEAN IT.



OH, I'M SURE YOU DO.





PUT DOWN  
YOUR WEAPON...  
AND... COME  
WITH ME.



I HAVE  
A BETTER IDEA.  
YOU GIVE ME THAT  
THING, GET THE HELL OUT  
OF HERE, AND LET ME  
DO WHAT I CAME  
HERE TO DO...  
...KILL YOUR  
BOSS.



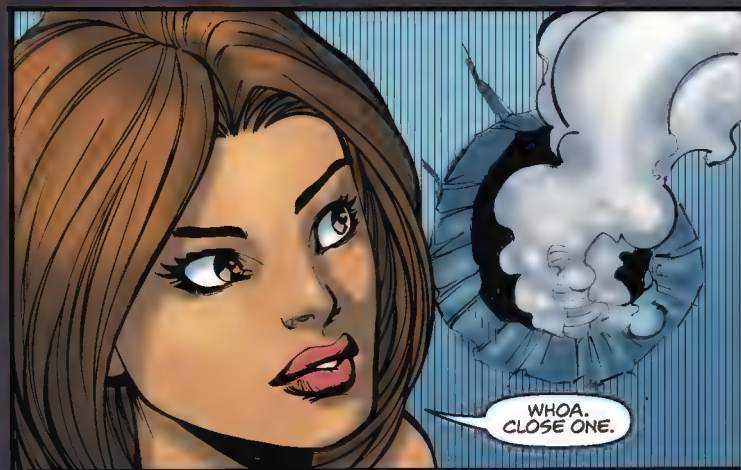
DOESN'T  
THAT SOUND LIKE  
A BETTER PLAN? I  
MEAN, YOU GET TO  
LIVE, FOR ONE  
THING.

NO--  
YOU DON'T  
UNDERSTAND.  
HE'LL KILL ME  
IF I LET YOU  
GO.



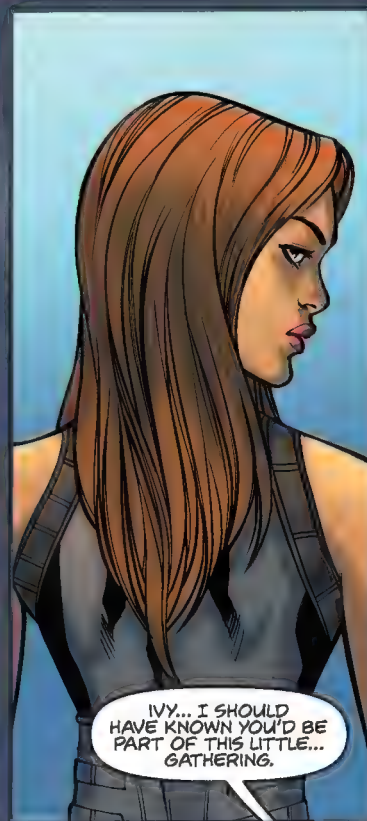
I'M  
SORRY. I  
REALLY  
AM.

**KA-CHOOOOM**



WHOA.  
CLOSE ONE.







I TOLD  
YOU I'D BE  
BACK FOR YOU,  
MAZUTSU, AND  
HERE I AM.

IT'S OVER.



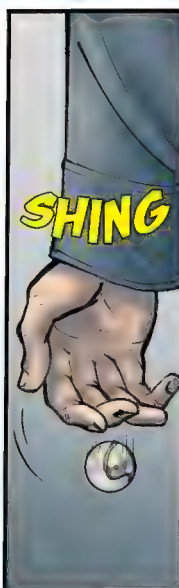
AH, IVY. YOU  
ALWAYS THOUGHT  
YOU KNEW ME. YOU  
EVEN BELIEVED I  
LOVED YOU.



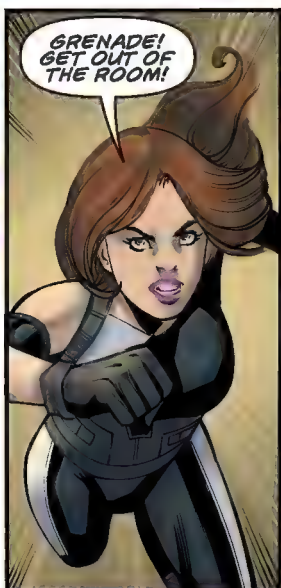
SHE'S RIGHT,  
MAZUTSU. IT'S  
TIME TO GIVE  
UP.



NOTHING IS  
OVER UNTIL I  
SAY IT IS...



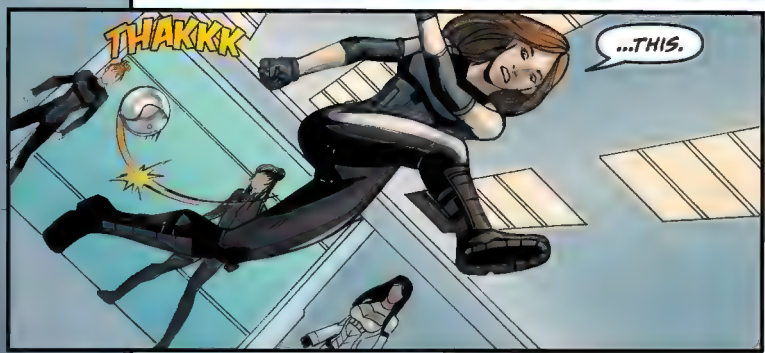
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GRENADE!  
GET OUT OF  
THE ROOM!



I'LL  
TAKE CARE  
OF...



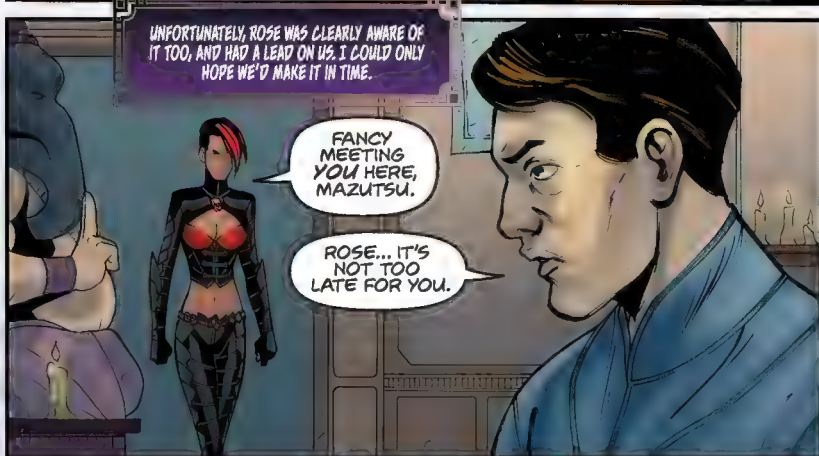
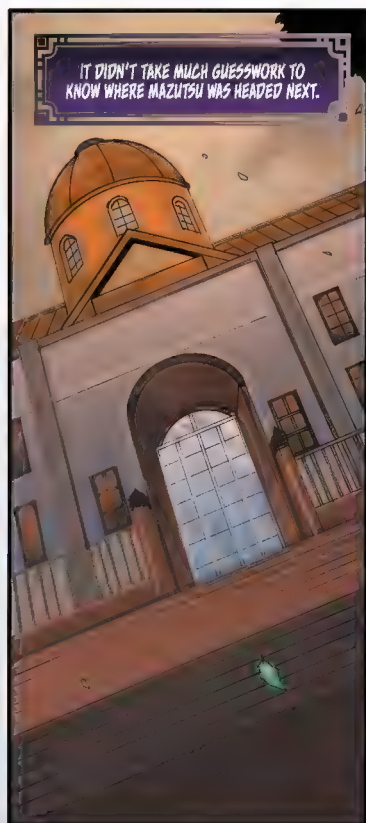
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...THIS.

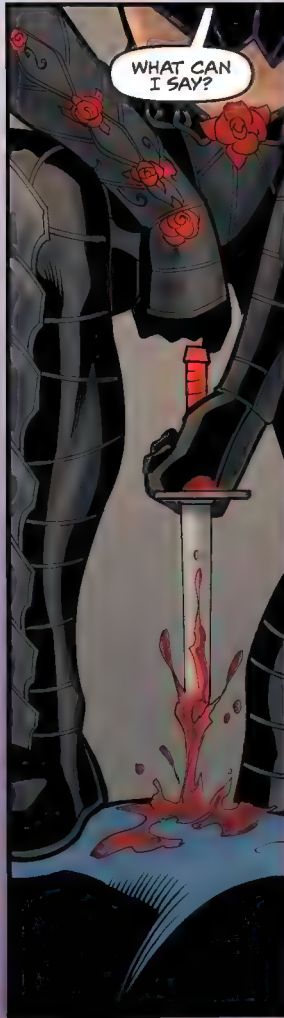






















SEVERAL DAYS LATER...

MY NAME IS IRIS,  
AND I AM AN EXECUTIVE  
ASSISTANT.

A SERVANT  
OF DEATH.

I DID NOT  
CHOOSE MY LIFE,  
BUT I ACCEPT IT.  
IT IS WHO I AM.

IT IS WHAT WE ARE.

LILY DIDN'T  
DESERVE TO DIE.  
NOT THIS WAY.

BUT IF SHE WERE HERE NOW, SHE'D TELL US TO  
LAUGH IT OFF, HAVE A DRINK IN HER NAME, THINK  
ABOUT THE GOOD TIMES, AND MOVE ON.

BUT I'M  
NOT READY TO  
MOVE ON.

THERE MUST  
BE MORE TO LIFE  
THAN THIS.

AND I  
INTEND TO  
FIND IT.

IRIS WILL BE BACK!  
A FRESH START BEGINS IN  
ALL NEW EXECUTIVE  
ASSISTANT: IRIS #1



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